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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

The Examiner has issued a restriction requirement, dividing the claims of the case into an eight -way restriction, (22 is always in part):

I 1-10, 17-19, 22

II 11, 22

III 12, 22

IV 13-14, 22

V 15, 19, 22

VI 16, 19, 22

VII 20, 22

VIII 21-22

Election is made to the subject matter of Group I, claims 1-10, 17-19, and 22 in part.

The Examiner has further required election to a single therapeutic agent. The applicant hereby specifies that the protein-Gal α 1,3Gal conjugates, as in Claim 8, is elected.

Respectfully submitted,

Novartis Corporation Patent and Trademark Dept. 564 Morris Avenue Summit, NJ 07901-1027 (908) 522-6940 30476 response to restriction

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